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1. SCHERLE'S JULY 29 LETTER RECEIVED HERE AUGUST 26.  
LETTER SENT INTERNATIONAL MAIL AND BEARS STAMPED NOTATION  
"X-RAYED FOR SAFETY AUGUST 16." WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO CHECK  
REASONS FOR DELAY AND ORIGIN OF STAMP; PLEASE GIVE US ANY  
INFORMATION YOU CAN PROVIDE FROM THERE.

2. WE HAVE PREPARED FOLLOWING REPLY AND UNLESS YOU  
PERCEIVE REASON NOT TO (IN WHICH CASE PLEASE INFORM US),  
WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR PASSING SUBSTANCE TO SCHERLE'S OFFICE  
TOGETHER WITH EXPLANATION OF DELAY.

3. BEGIN QUOTE:

DEAR CONGRESSMAN SCHERLE:

MY APOLOGIES FOR THIS DELAYED REPLY TO YOUR LETTER  
OF JULY 29, 1974, CONCERNING MR. HENRY KUO. YOUR LETTER WAS  
RECEIVED AT THE EMBASSY ONLY ON AUGUST 26.

WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN FROM THE GOVERNMENT  
HERE ANY EXPLICIT STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR DENYING AN EXIT  
PERMIT TO MR. KUO. UNOFFICIALLY, I UNDERSTAND THAT  
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MR. KUO WAS DENIED THE EXIT PERMIT BECAUSE THE TAIWAN GARRISON

COMMAND (THE MOST IMPORTANT DOMESTIC SECURITY ORGAN HERE), BELIEVES HIM AND HIS WIFE TO BE CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH TAIWAN INDEPENDENCE ADVOCATE, PROFESSOR PENG MING-MIN. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THE GARRISON COMMAND BELIEVES MRS. KUO RETURNED TO TAIWAN IN 1973 TO MARRY MR. KUO PRIMARILY AS A MEANS TO GET HIM OUT OF TAIWAN SO THAT HE COULD CARRY ON TAIWAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITED STATES. PARENTHETICALLY, THE ENCLOSURES TO MRS. KUO'S LETTER TO YOU OF MARCH 9, 1974 (WHICH YOU SENT TO ME UNDER COVER OF YOUR LETTER OF APRIL 5), INDICATES THAT THIS IS ALSO MR. KUO'S UNDERSTANDING OF THE GOVERNMENT'S REASON FOR ITS ACTION AGAINST HIM.

PREMIER CHIAN CHING-KUO'S LETTER TO YOU OF MAY 29, 1974 CONFIRMS THE DENIAL OF MR. KUO'S EXIT PERMIT. SINCE THIS IS A DEFINITIVE ACTION OF A SOVEREIGN GOVERNMENT WITH RESPECT TO ONE OF ITS OWN CITIZENS, THERE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE FURTHER ACTION WHICH WE CAN TAKE. IF YOU SHOULD FEEL, HOWEVER, THAT THERE ARE NEW DEVELOPMENTS OR NEW INFORMATION OF A SIGNIFICANT NATURE PLEASE LET US KNOW.  
WITH BEST WISHES,  
END QUOTE.  
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